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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE application of Khemani et al. Serial No. 10/087,256 ) Art Unit 1711 Confirmation No. 4244 Filed: March 1, 2002 BIODEGRADABLE POLYMER BLENDS FOR For: USE IN MAKING FILMS, SHEETS AND OTHER ARTICLES OF MANUFACTURE Examiner: Ana Lucrecia Woodward Customer No.: 022913

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